



VALENTINES PAPER HEART CHAINS

RESOURCES - TO MAKE 2 CHAINS

- Lightweight paper - A4 or A5 (coloured paper is good)
- Scissors
- Pens (to decorate)

STEP ONE - CUT PAPER STRIPS

Take the paper, fold it in half length ways (long edges together) then cut along the fold. - Each strip will create a chain of four hearts. Put one aside or use one each.

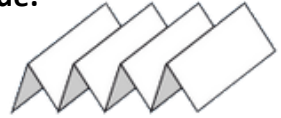
STEP TWO - FOLD PAPER STRIPS

- 1) Fold your strip in half (short edges together) make a crease.
- 2) Fold one side edge back to meet the fold you just made, and crease. Turn the paper over and repeat with the other edge.
- 3) Continue to fold the top layer to meet the center fold. Turn the paper over and repeat with the other edge.
- 4) Now let go of the paper so it opens up.
- 5) Position it to look like a letter M
- 6) Hold onto the two outmost parts of the M and gently pull away from each other. This should leave you with the centre fold in the middle and two 'stacks' on either side.

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5) Making sure the 'stacks' are facing down fold one side in to meet the center fold. Repeat with the other side.

6) Fold the center fold back to complete the accordion folds.



STEP THREE - CUT OUT THE HEARTS

7) Place the "open" side of the accordion facing right

8) Cut a triangle from the bottom left corner to the right hand side around a third of the way up.

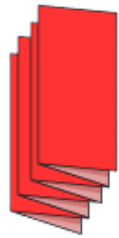
9) Cut the top of the heart in your preferred shape.

Making sure to leave a gap between your two cuts

- this will be where the hearts stay joined

together.

(If it helps you can draw this before you cut it)



STEP FOUR - UNFOLD

Unfold the paper strip to reveal your chain of hearts. Tape two or more chains of hearts together to form longer chains.

DONE!

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